

Mr. CARLISLE has stated positively that he will not announce his committee until the question about the rules is settled. If the rules are changed and the appropriation bills divided among half a dozen committees, it will render them more important than now and necessitate greater care in selecting them.

The latest election returns from England are all in favor of Mr. Gladstone and the Liberal party. Up to 10 o'clock yesterday afternoon Mr. Gladstone had been elected Conservative and fifty-three Nationalists (Parliament). This gives the Liberals a majority of 158 seats. The Conservatives and Nationalists combined are about 138 seats. As we should say in this country, yet to be heard from, and a large majority of them, it is believed will elect Gladstone, so that there is reason to believe that Mr. Gladstone will yet secure a fair working majority.

The alumni of Hobart College, and there must be many among the Episcopal clergyman and laymen at the South, who do what they can in helping to restore the buildings, and especially to replace the very valuable library recently destroyed by fire. Hobart is one of the best Episcopal colleges in the country, and we need not say, one of the best. It has been the nursery of great intellects whose ranks the ministry of the Episcopal church has lost for many years. It therefore has claims not only upon the alumni, but upon Episcopalianism everywhere, that should be properly and constantly acknowledged.

The Philadelphia Times discusses the question of the succession in an equitable temper, and suggests a compromise between the conservative Republican statesmen in the Senate whose election to the Vice-President's chair would give the highest precedence of tranquility to the country. Mr. Edmunds would be, Mr. Hawley would do it. Mr. Harrison would do it, and the Republican majority of the Senate should be mindful that it is the best for the country, must be best for the party. The election of Sherman or Logan would at once remove a causeless revival of sectional animosity, and capital, industry and business, now largely being the cause of civil war by general industrial progress, would be exposed to uncertainty and distrust. Senator Logan seems to be of the same opinion. The telegraph this morning tells us that he positively declines to be a candidate for the office. John Sherman, we believe, is too unpopular to be chosen. The result is therefore that Edmunds will be re-elected.

According to an article in London Money, copied into the New York Indicator, we learn that Confederate bonds are again attracting attention in London, upon the theory that "if Bonaparte had been again elected, and the Grand Turk Ordinary are worth 10, with good buying at these prices, Confederate bonds are cheap at 3 percent, and have a high price in the market, especially as the chance of a return is not remote from either of the other two securities." This is the most ardent consensus, and it is not surprising that of so high standing as Money should not at once have gone to the root of the question involved and explained to its readers that the United States have every one of the Southern States that prohibit the Confederate States from being prohibited by constitutional enactments, Federal as well as State, from any and every kind of aid, or any circumstances, recognizing the validity or paying any debt or part of a debt incurred by the Confederate States or by any of its States comprising that government for the purpose of carrying on the war against the Federal government. It is an act of criminal folly to entertain the question of the payment of Confederate bonds in view of prohibitions so utterly insupportable.

"OUR TENN. DEMOCRAT" is insistent that Congress is not competent to take any action in the case of the death or removal of both the President and Vice-President. It simply may designate an officer to act as President until the next election, and in the constitutional way. The act of 1872 provided that in case of the death or disability of both the President and Vice-President the Senate should elect a President pro tempore, and the House of Representatives should elect a President pro tempore, and the President pro tempore should exercise the powers and duties of the President until the next election. The act of 1872 provided that in case of the death or disability of both the President and Vice-President the Senate should elect a President pro tempore, and the House of Representatives should elect a President pro tempore, and the President pro tempore should exercise the powers and duties of the President until the next election.

The report of Commissioner Atkins has met the general approval of the country. A man of lifetime experience in public affairs, it was to be expected that he would offer some statesmanlike suggestions looking to the solution of the Indian problem, and he has. He insists that the Indians shall abandon their tribal relations, and agree to a division of their lands in severalty. The government should, however, in order to protect them, retain the right to their lands in trust for twenty-five years, or longer, but leave them patents at once to make them free men. He advocates the removal of the Indians to reservations, and that they should be given the same rights and privileges which are given to the white people, and to know more of the obligations to the government and to society. In a word, they must learn to work for a living, and they must be given the same rights and privileges which are given to the white people, and to know more of the obligations to the government and to society. In a word, they must learn to work for a living, and they must be given the same rights and privileges which are given to the white people, and to know more of the obligations to the government and to society.

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BLIZZARD BLOWING.

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TRUCKS ON THE TRACKS.

Dangers from Which Engineers Have the Public and Themselves.

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